

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	Group Art Unit: 1634
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Inventors: Suk-Wah Tam-Chang, et al.	)	Examiner: Bradley L. Sisson
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Application No.: 10/578,248	)	Confirmation No.: 3055
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Filed: February 27, 2007	)	
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For: IMPROVED METHODS FOR DETECTING	)	Date: June 29, 2009
AND MEASURING SPECIFIC NUCLEIC ACID	)	
SEQUENCES	)	

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action mailed June 1, 2009, Applicants elect, without traverse, the subject matter within Group II, original claims 16-24, for examination in this application.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.